

CLAIMS

1. An award bar holder comprising
a generally C-shaped elongated channel member having a flat back panel and side
panels that extend toward one another in a forward direction from each longitudinal side
5 edge of the back panel, said back and side panels forming a slide seat for receiving one
or more award bars,
at least one pin attached to the back side of the back panel for piercing a fabric-
like material on which the holder is to be mounted,
a clasp removably carried on the end of each pin for securing the holder to the
10 fabric by preventing withdrawal of the pin from the fabric,
and a pressure member formed in the back panel of the holder for pushing an
award bar disposed in the slide seat in a forward direction against the side panels to
prevent the award bar from slipping out of the slide seat.
- 15 2. An award bar holder as described in claim 1 wherein the member is a
raised segment in the back panel extending forwardly of the plane of the front surface
thereof.
3. An award bar holder as described in claim 1 wherein the member is
20 integrally formed as part of the back panel.
4. An award bar and holder combination comprising at least one award bar
having a pair of parallel side edges,
a generally C-shaped holder having side walls that overlap the side edges of the
25 award bar so that the side edges are captured under the side walls of the holder,
a pressure member in the holder for bearing against the award bar causing the bar
to press against the side walls of the holder to resist sliding of the bar in the holder,
an at least one fastener mounted on the back of the holder for securing the holder
to a support.

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5. An award bar and holder combination as defined in claim 4 wherein the holder has a back panel and the pressure member is formed as an integral part of the back panel and bears against the back of the award bar.

5 6. An award bar and holder combination as defined in claim 5 wherein the pressure member is a segment of the back panel displaced toward the front of the holder.

7. An award bar and holder combination comprising
an elongated holder having a back panel with front and back sides and a pair of
10 longitudinally extending top and bottom edges,
a pair of side panels attached to the back panel and extending forward of the front
side thereof, said side panels having lips that extend toward one another spaced from and
in front of the front face of back panel,
at least one award bar disposed in the holder on the front side of the back panel
15 and behind the lips of the side panels,
and a pressure member on the holder urging the award bar to bind on the lips for
preventing the bar from sliding off the ends of the holder.

8. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 7 wherein an
20 attaching member is connected in the back side of the back panel for mounting the holder
on a garment.

9. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 8 wherein the
attaching member comprises a pair of pins and clasps.

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10. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 8 wherein the
holder is at least twice as long as an award bar for holding two or more of said bars.

11. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 8 wherein the
30 pressure member is a plate that projects forwardly of the front side of the back panel.

12. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 7 wherein the holder is sized to simultaneously hold at least three award bars in a row, and pressure members are provided adjacent the ends of the holder to engage the end award bars in the holder.

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13. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 8 wherein the pressure member is defined by slots in the back panel that form a plate and the plate is displaced from the plane of the back panel.

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14. An award bar and holder combination as described in claim 7 wherein the back panel, side panels and pressure member are integrally formed from a single metal strip.